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MAY WE *Quote* YOU ON THAT?

[1] MICHAEL H PRENDERGAST, chief political lieutenant of N Y Gov Harriman: "If Gov Harriman is convinced that the (Democratic) convention wants him, I think he will seek the nomination (for President) even if it means a floor fight with Adlai E Stevenson." (*Considered a politically-significant statement, since N Y Gov has consistently stated he is for Stevenson.*). . . [2] Dr ROBT M HUTCHINS, pres Fund for the Republic (whose objectives are currently criticized by American Legion) addressing American College of Hospital Administrators: "The object of universities, hospitals and foundations is not the preservation of the status quo. (So) they must inevitably engage in criticism of existing practices, and if they do they must expect to be criticized in turn." . . . [3] NIKITA S KRUSHCHEV, Communist party chief at a reception for E Germans: "If anyone thinks our smiles mean that we abandon the teachings of Marx, Engels and

Quote of the Week

AVERELL W HARRIMAN, Gov of N Y, addressing N Y State Comm of White House Conf on Education, urging Fed'l aid to education: "I am prepared to defend the prerogatives of the states . . . (but) I am inclined to be skeptical when values like education are at stake . . . within the 48 state gov'ts there (are) some who do not believe in doing much about education if it costs money, which—regrettably—it does."

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Lenin, he is deceiving himself cruelly. You might as well say that Easter always falls on Tuesday." (*Marguerite Higgins' version; United Press quoted the Soviet leader: ". . . might as well wait for a shrimp to learn how to whistle."*). . . [4] RAYMOND ARON, French journalist: "Washington is that wonderful town where everything is possible except silence."

FIFTEENTH YEAR OF PUBLICATION



As we have been intimating in recent wks, the Farm Problem is practically certain to be a favored political football in next yr's election campaigns. Neither party in our generation has resolutely faced the Farm Problem; certainly there is no indication that they will do so in '56. It is politically expedient to fence with the facts.

Agriculture suffers from two chronic and in some degree contradictory ills. First, there is what may be termed "acreage anemia"—too many poor farmers cultivating too many poor acres. These marginal operators are a drain on the total economy. They have no business in the business. But that is only one phase of the problem.

On the other hand, increased productivity obtains in scientific agriculture, as in industry. New techniques and developments (drought-resistant hybrid corn, for example) have virtually banished the "bad" crop yr. More intensive cultivation brings larger and larger

yields. Thus arbitrary acreage limitation (a panacea that will probably be extended next yr) is only a partial answer. It just about keeps pace with the productivity increases. (Southern farmers this yr grew more cotton on 20% less land.)

The farmer in a democratic order is a rugged individualist. He cannot be arbitrarily banished from his accumulated holdings. Nor can he, beyond certain limits, be regimented in the production of surplus crops. So long as a mkt is artificially maintained (at the expense of the gen'l economy) he will continue to plant, harvest and collect his subsidy. No political party has the courage to knock out the props and face the consequent chaos. In the present bipartisan Congress such a radical program would stand no chance at all. But even assuming one party had dominant legislative power, the idea is highly unrealistic. Every dissident group in the country would immediately pounce upon the unfortunate reformers. The opposition would get in at the next election, restore and probably increase the supports — and keep them in effect until the heavily-subsidized cows come home.



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Charles William Ferguson



ADVERSITY—1

It takes clouds to make a beautiful sunset, and even the most soul-trying experiences of life have their part in weaving the tapestry of our time.—ANNA VERONA DORRIS, "The Future and the Great Awakening," *New Outlook*, 9-'55.

AGE—2

It isn't so much that a man becomes wiser and better as he grows older as it's that he just doesn't feel like acting the fool.—*Cincinnati Enquirer*.

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Man is like a car. Just so much mileage in him, whether he runs it out in 40 yrs or 80.—*Cedar Falls (Iowa) Record*.

AMERICA—3

Every 24 hrs, American consumers buy 10,500 refrigerators, 9,700 washing machines, over 2,000 clothes dryers, 3,000 freezers, nearly 10,000 ranges and 9,250 water heaters.—*Commerce*.

BROTHERHOOD—4

The American soc'y, consciously and unconsciously, will continue to produce prejudiced people and, too often, professional hate-mongers, until all the institutions which man creates accept the responsibility to produce ideas, feelings, habits and motivation for brotherhood.—JAS E PITT, *Adventures in Brotherhood* (Farrar, Strauss).

CHILDREN—5

Thinking that my "baby" would be frightened on his first day of school, I suggested that I could go with him. "An old woman like you going to school!" he said scornfully. Well, it's like I've always said, it takes a family of growing children to keep you in your place.—BELLE GILG, *Farm Jnl.*

COMMUNISM—Democracy—6

Talk about Communism in your home. . . Show your children that you understand Communism and that you, for good reasons, prefer democracy. The more your children know about Communism, the better equipped they will be to meet the threats that face us today.—DONALD ROBINSON, "The Lesson Our Schools Don't Teach," *Woman's Home Companion*, 10-'55.

CONSERVATISM—7

Zechariah Chaffee once said of certain conservatives that had they been present at the creation they would have cried, "Let us conserve chaos!" — W DEAN HOPKINS, in book review, *Christian Century*.

DRINK—Drinking—8

During '53, the American people contributed \$8,500 a min to religious, charitable and educational donations, and spent \$17,000 a min for alcoholic beverages.—*ATA Bulletin*.

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Grace Tully, Pres Franklin D Roosevelt's private sec'y for 17 yrs, says she believes the man she now works for may also be elected President. She's on the staff of the Senate Democratic Policy Comm, and her boss is Sen Lyndon B Johnson, of Texas, the majority leader. "Lyndon is very much in the running for '60," she told us in an interview. "And it could strike before then—for the 2nd spot, I mean. His heart attack (July 2) could be an asset. Lots of people said Franklin Roosevelt never really settled down until he was stricken with polio. It's the Lord's way, I suppose, of turning a fine politician into a fine statesman."

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Observes the Washington Post & Times-Herald: "An Air Force Sabre Jet has set a speed record of 822 mph. The record for going backward is 739 mph, set by a parking-lot attendant backing into a space 3 inches wider than an automobile."

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At least one woman thinks men talk too much. Rep Elizabeth Kee (D-WVa) says her male colleagues in the U S House uttered 33 million words last yr which have been printed in the *Congressional Record*. She thinks that they (and the country) could have gotten along on a somewhat more limited allowance.

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EDUCATION—9

Education is not any more the pale flower, to be nurtured in cloistered seclusion, away from the crass world's bruising conflict for material gain. Today, education is part of that conflict. It is the prerequisite for material gain. Nor can even the scholar withdraw into the "Academic Life". The Academic Life is right out there now, trying to make a living in competition with all the other forms of life. — FRANCIS W SPRINGER, "The Quiet Man on the School Bd," *American School Bd Jnl*, 9-'55.

It is impossible to educate anyone. All that can be done is to put him in a position where he can find an education. Motivation is the first necessity for this. He must wish to learn and he must wish to develop. He must be curious, he must be eager, and he must be serious.—Pres BARNABY C KEENEY, Brown Univ, *Education Summary*.

FACTS—10

One of the tragedies of life is the murder of a beautiful theory by a brutal gang of facts.—*Alumnator*.

FAMILY LIFE—11

Our families are built much as a good orchestra is built—not with every mbr playing the same instrument or the same notes but with every mbr knowing his own instrument and practicing it with the others, achieving a harmony that is based upon difference. This is the kind of harmony that is our crying need today—in the modern family and in the modern world. —EVELYN MILLIS DUVALL, *Adult Educator*, Author and Family Life Counselor.

Mining the Magazines



You may have heard some mention of the Geophysical Year. You will hear a great deal more. It is by far the largest joint enterprise ever undertaken by the world's scientists. Altho the celebration does not begin formally until July '57, for all practical purposes it is already under way. The Comite Special de l'Annee Geophysique Internationale is deep in preparation for the Year. In recognition of this coming event, *Scientific American* devotes its entire September issue to geophysics — the study of the physical nature of man's terrestrial environment. Articles by renowned authorities include, "The Interior of the Earth," "The Origin of Continents," "Glaciers," "The Circulation of the Oceans," "The Earth From Space," "The Circulation of the Atmosphere," "The Ionosphere," "Aurora and Airglow," "The Earth's Magnetism," "The Earth's Gravity."

The heroes of today's dramas, if they may be called heroes, are bewildered creatures, in the opinion of Elmer Rice, writing in *Theatre Arts*. "They are floundering themselves with wishful fantasies, destroying those closest to them with a surfeit or a dearth of love. The recurrent themes of our plays are loneliness, rebellion, juvenile delinquency, emotional starvation, homosexuality, terror fantasies, sadism and schizophrenia."

An irate *Christian Century* reader has had enough of the "buddy-

Every tourist faces pitfalls in a strange country, but a party of Mohammedans in Finland recently ran into an unusual hazard. *Finlandia Pictorial* rep'ts the visitors arrived in Lapland on one of those feast days when their religion forbids them to eat until sundown. And it was the season in Lapland when the sun doesn't drop below the horizon for 3 mo's!

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buddy-with-God" cult, evident in popular religious songs. In a letter to the editor (9-15-'55) he notes disgustedly that a song, *The Man Upstairs*, has a successor in a square-dance tune with the words, "Have faith, hope and charity/ That's how to live successfully/ How do I know?/ The Bible tells me so."

Reader says darkly, "You cannot treat God this way and get away with it." Adds other horrible examples of overheard church songs like, *I'm On a Honeymoon With Jesus*, and a gem about "The bells of hell go ting-a-ling/ Where, o death, is thy sting-a-ling?" Next, he supposes dourly, will be the *Jesus Bounce*.

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FATHER—Son—12

A survey was made among 300 7th & 8th-grade boys for a 2-wk period, to discover how much time fathers and sons spent together. Each boy kept an accurate record of the time spent with his father. The boys who saw Dad only at the dinner table comprised the largest group. A number of boys never saw their fathers for days at a time, some not even for wks. The average time father and son had alone together for an entire wk was 7 and $\frac{1}{2}$ minutes!—GORDON H SCHROEDER, "Parents Should Behave, Too!" *Christian Herald*, 9-'55.

GOOD—Evil—13

Men are made good by spirit and not by law. There is no goose-stepping goodness. Unless we live up to the spirit of the good life, we shall live down to the level of mental slavery and moral mediocrity. — RALPH W SOCKMAN, *Gen'l Features Syndicate*.

HEALTH—Mental—14

Mental illness, not cancer and heart disease, is today's most pressing medical problem. With more older people, the increase in mental conditions of the aged follows. The greater stresses and strains of living in this industrial age make persons more susceptible to mental troubles. This is a generation of tremendous turmoil. The population of this nation has shifted from easygoing rural life to the fast moving industrial life of the cities.—Dr WALTER MARTIN, pres, American Medical Ass'n.

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HEAVEN—15

I think we have one foot in heaven and the other on the banana peel of self-interest. — Rev LAWRENCE W BASH, *Minneapolis Tribune*.

HISTORY—16

History is the most dangerous product that the chemistry of the intellect has invented. Its properties are well known. It engenders dreams, it intoxicates people, it begets false memories, it exaggerates their reactions, keeps their old wounds open, disturbs their sleep, leads them to delusions of grandeur or of persecution, and makes nations bitter, arrogant, insufferable and vain.—PAUL VALERY, quoted in *Good Housekeeping*.

IDEALS—17

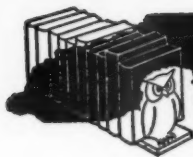
Great ideals and principles do not live from generation to generation just because they are right, nor even because they have been carefully legislated. Ideals and principles continue from generation to generation only when they are built into the hearts of the children as they grow up.—Dr GEO S BENSON, educator and author.

INTELLIGENCE—18

As much intelligence was needed to invent the bow and arrow, which started from nothing, as to invent the guided missile with the help of all of the inventions which have followed up the bow.—*Monthly Letter*, Royal Bank of Canada.

INVENTION—19

Personally, I'm sure that the real mother of invention is simon-pure, bone-tired human laziness.—R C SOLLENBERGER, "Axes, Axles and Atoms," *Nat'l Safety News*, 9-'55.



Book Briefs

This is the 5th anniv of the publication, in England, of Alfred Duff-Cooper's only novel, *Operation Heartbreak* (published here a yr later by Viking). It is perhaps the 1st instance of historical fiction written before the event became a matter of public record. Harry C Bauer, Director of Libraries at the Univ of Washington, in Seattle, has dug up the factual record on which Duff-Cooper prematurely based his novel, and tells the story in *Wilson Library Bulletin* (Sept).

After the Tunisian campaign, in War II, Germans assumed the next objective would be Sicily. Many stratagems were used to mislead the Nazis, but the one that will go down in history, thanks to Duff-Cooper, was so preposterous it fooled the Germans completely.

Shortly before dawn one day in '43, a British submarine surfaced off the coast of Spain. The crew stealthily cast adrift a body clothed in the battle dress of a major of the Royal Marines. Clashed tightly in the hand of the dead officer was a brief case containing fictitious battle plans, forged letters, and other pertinent documents. In the pockets of the battle jacket were appropriate keepsakes, and a few intimate letters. Spanish officials allegedly took charge of the body when it drifted ashore, permitting German agents to photostat the papers and

One book full of stirring passages—a cook book.—FRANCES RODMAN.

documents before the body and its effects were turned over to the British consul for military burial.

The carefully-contrived papers tricked the German high command into making military blunders, and the ruse revealed just how far Spain could be trusted at that time as a neutral. Naturally the true identity of the dead man will never be known, but in *Operation Heartbreak* he is presented as the central character, Willie Maryngton, a victim of unrequited love. Dispirited and discouraged, when he became ill of pneumonia he had no will to live and quickly succumbed.

Dr John A Schindler, author of popular, positive-outlook *How to LIVE 365 Days a Year* (Prentice-Hall) seems to strike a negative note in the planned title of his next book, *What's Wrong With Women?* But it turns out Dr Schindler is just a nasty old tease. "The title will make women mad," he says, "but they'll discover in the 1st chapter that I'm the greatest feminist they ever had."

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" . . . The BAD News"

Crushing Napoleon's fleet 150 yrs ago (Oct 21, 1805) in the Battle of Trafalgar off Cadiz, Spain, Admiral Horatio Nelson ushered in Britain's century-long domination of world seas. But the vital victory cost Nelson's life, plunging his hero-worshipping nation into sorrow. One damp-eyed historian tells of victory bells changing to tolling dirges at the news, and a laborer crying, "Have you heard the BAD news? We have taken 20 ships—but we have lost Lord Nelson." (Even today England's naval uniform honors Nelson with its mourning neckerchief, and its collar stripes marking his 3 great victories.) Just before the fray the one-eyed, one-armed commander issued his famous duty directive. Mortally injured, he died, true to form, murmuring, "Thank God, I have done my duty." Typical of tributes to the sea-lord is this verse from S J Arnold's Death of Nelson:

And now the cannons roar
Along the affrighted shore,

Our Nelson led the way;
His ship, the *Victory* nam'd:
Long be that victory fam'd,

For victory crown'd the day!
But dearly was that conquest
bought,

Too well the gallant hero fought,
For England, home, and beauty.
He cried, as midst the fire he ran,
"England expects that ev'ry man
This day will do his duty."

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JUVENILE DELINQUENCY—20

In Brazil, children go along with their parents, or grandparents take care of them—or else the parents just don't go out. Because of this custom, Brazilian children during their formative yrs never feel neglected. That is why there is no organized juvenile delinquency in my country.—WADIVA ISABEL MARCIIORI, editor, *Revista de Globo*, Brazil.

LEADERSHIP—21

The great leader is one who never permits his followers to discover that he is as dumb as they are.—*Rochester Times-Union*.

LIFE—Living—22

If men will not clothe the bare framework of science with the warm garments of true humanism, they will end up by making machines their God and mathematics their only dogma.—JOHN R GHUSLIKIAN, "Science and Religion in the Atomic Age," *Universalist Leader*, 9-'55.

MODERN AGE—23

Not so long ago, less than 40 yrs ago, there was a horse or mule in the U S for every four people. Now there's only one left for every thirty-five people.—WHEELER McMILLEN, *Farm Jnl*.

MUSIC—24

Music is the language of common understanding, and in understanding, peace will be found.—CARROLL D KEARNS, "Music vs Guns," *Etude*, 9-'55.

OBSTACLES—Overcoming—25

The toughest form of mountain climbing is getting out of a rut.—*Carpenter's Friendly Thoughts*.

Pathways to the Past



Week of
Oct 16-22

United Nations Wk (16-24)

Nat'l Bible Wk

Nat'l Donut Wk

Oct 16—230th anniv (1725) of 1st printing of N Y's 1st newspaper, the *N Y Wkly Gazette* (best-remembered employe was iowly apprentice John Peter Zenger, whose 1735 libel trial secured U S freedom of the press)... The Locarno Pact, widely heralded (and ultimately unsuccessful) peace guarantee, was concluded 30 yrs ago (1925) between Germany and 6 other nations. . . 16½ million American men added a draft card to their billfold equipment 15 yrs ago (1940), on Selective Service Registration Day.

Oct 17—Elmira Female College, 1st U S college exclusively for women which equaled degree requirements of top male schools, began classes 100 yrs ago (1855).

Oct 18—*Feast of St Luke*. . . America's biggest immigration wave of French Protestants began 270 yrs ago (1685) when King Louis XIV revoked the Edict of Nantes (law protecting non-Catholics); resulting persecution drove many Huguenots to our shores.

Oct 19—N England's 1st Gen'l Court convened 325 yrs ago (1630) in Boston, with 108 settlers waiting to air legal grievances. . . The 1st war fought by U S troops

after formation of the Union broke out 165 yrs ago (1790), pitting 400 ill-trained troops against Indian tribes in Ohio.

Oct 20—Many Manhattanites owe their limited acquaintance with trees, grass, and flowers to Dan'l E Sickles, Union Army gen'l b 130 yrs ago (1825); efforts of this pre-war Tammany politician resulted in establishment of N Y C's Central Park in 1856.

Oct 21—425 yrs ago (1530) globe-girdling explorer Ferdinand Magellan entered the S American straits now named for him (he reached "Great South Sea" Nov 28, named it "Pacific"). . . Britain gained undisputed control of the sea by defeating France in the Battle of Trafalgar 150 yrs ago (1805), but sea-hero Lord Nelson died in the fight. . . The 1st transAtlantic radio-telephone message flashed from Arlington, Va, to Paris 40 yrs ago (1915). . . And the 1st photo-electric cell, or "electric eye," fascinated visitors to N Y's electric show 30 yrs ago (1925).

Oct 22—110th anniv (1845) b of French actress Sarah Bernhardt, whose name spelled theatrical magic to 3 continents and 2 generations of playgoers. . . 1st patriotic genealogy soc'y for men, the Sons of Revolutionary Sires, formed 80 yrs ago (1875).

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"Of all things!"

Watchman, what of the knight?

Many Southerners who believe sincerely that segregation is essential to the welfare of their area, nevertheless deplore and distrust the recent revival of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, with its inflammatory battle-cry of white supremacy.

Attorneys General of 14 Southern states have organized informally to watch the movement—and to pounce promptly if there are masked demonstrations on public property. There isn't too much more that can be done. The constitutional right of free assembly permits klansmen to meet and burn their fiery crosses, so long as there is no disorder. Southern newspapers have thus far presented a united front of opposition.

Imperial Wizard (and auto-body painter) Elton R Edwards, of Atlanta, key figure in the new Klan, says "The dailies and NAACP (Nat'l Ass'n for Advancement of Colored People) Mau Mau are the tools of communism." He insists that his group is organized solely for charitable endeavors; that it is not intolerant in spirit; "We don't hate anybody." But it is frankly and "unalterably" opposed to desegregation of Southern schools. The revised ritual, says Edwards, is based on the 12th Chapter of Romans. It is in that chapter, you may recall, that one finds the familiar admonition: "Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love."

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OPINION—26

All men judge, but few have judgment.—F H HEINEMANN, *Hibbert Jnl*, London.

POWER—27

One lb of uranium, a piece no larger than a golf ball, if fissioned completely, could produce as much energy as 2,500,000 lbs of coal.—*Science News Letter*.

PRAYER—28

The most powerful form of energy one can generate is not mechanical, electronic or even atomic energy, but prayer energy.—ALEXIS CARREL, *You*.

SALESMANSHIP—29

If automation is to pay off, supersalesmen must be trained. Sales strength must be geared to automation's strength of production. Double production and you have to find twice as many buyers; that means twice the sales effort at least.—*Printers' Ink*.

SCIENCE—Religion—30

In their essence there can be no conflict between science and religion. Science is a reliable method of finding truth. Religion is the search for a satisfying basis for life. . . Yet a world that has science needs, as never before, the inspiration that religion has to offer. . . Beyond the nature taught by science is the spirit that gives meaning to life.—ARTHUR H COMPTON, quoted in *The Argonaut*.

SILENCE—31

Silence is a talent as greatly to be cherished as that other asset, the gift of speech. — JOSEPHINE LAWRENCE, quoted in *Royle Forum*, hm, John Royle & Sons.

TEACHERS—Teaching—32

The well-educated teacher is not the one who has mastered the jargon of pedagogy, but the one who is himself so constantly in quest of knowledge and intellectual power that learning in him begets learning in his students.—ARTHUR BESTOR, *The Restoration of Learning* (Knopf).

TELEVISION—33

Before I got a television set I said that TV was for morons. Now that I have one, I am more sure of it than ever. The thing that now disturbs me is to find I have so many moronic moments!—KVP *Philosopher*, hm, Kalamazoo Vegetable Parchment Co.

UNDERSTANDING—34

The favorite motto of Dr John Watson, better known by his pen name of Ian Maclaren, is said to have been: "Be kind, for every one you meet is fighting a hard battle."

If all parents realized this, there would be less "do's and don'ts." A child's problems, small to a parent, are very real and large to a child. It is just as hard for a child to decide how best to spend a quarter as it is for the parent to allocate the wkly pay check.—*Philosopher*.

WEALTH—35

Not what we have, but what we enjoy, constitutes our abundance.—JEAN PETIT-SENN, quoted in *Better Farming*.

YOUTH—36

Youth is a quality, not a matter of circumstances. — FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT, *Studio*, London.

In Brief

Lafayette, Indiana, is testing a new, almost-wholly-prefabricated school bldg. Erected in 21 working days after foundation was poured, it cost about \$10,000 per classroom less than standard structure; may help solve congested-classroom problem in many communities.

A car without a carburetor was displayed last wk at Nat'l Petroleum Ass'n convention. Introduced by petroleum chemicals div of DuPont, Lincoln test car featured a fuel-injection system. Idea has been widely used for aviation and diesel engines. . . Spiegel's, Chicago mail-order house, now offers Budget Plan customers a free insurance policy canceling out balance due if family wage-earner should die.

Does a trip to the dentist make you hot under the collar? Now, Doc may cool you off—literally. New cold-air technique "freezes" patient's mouth before filling cavities. . . Go to the movies on credit! It's an idea introduced by Cinerama in 14 cities. Just show a gasoline or hotel credit card at box office and walk right in, with your party; you'll be billed the following month.

This yr, for 1st time, toy sales are expected to pass the \$1 billion mark; last yr, \$920 million. . . Blackstone, the magician, admits there's something he can't make disappear—rising costs. Rabbits he once bought for a dime now cost \$2 each!

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Good Stories.....

you can use

A vacationing suburban gentleman, we're told, was asked by his wife to drop in on a neighbor the other morning and give her an armful of chrysanthemums from the garden. Obeying, he found the neighbor's front door open, stepped inside, and asked if anybody was at home. "Yes, we are, and we're very busy," said a lady's voice from upstairs. "What are you doing here at this time of day? Sit down and keep quiet." The man obeyed once more, and when the lady and her small daughter appeared, about 5 min's later, the lady was tongue-tied, but not the daughter, who said, "She thought you were Daddy."—*New Yorker*. a

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A young mother finally tucked her small son into bed after an unusually trying day. That's when she sighed, "Well, I've certainly worked from son-up to son-down."—*Capper's Wkly*. b

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The bride of a struggling young writer was the big success of the evening, and all the men at the party elbowed each other to dance with her.

"She's charming, old boy," the host said enthusiastically to the husband, "and her dress is a poem."

"Not one poem," ans'd the young writer, gloomily, "sixteen poems, five short stories and nine articles."—*Labor*. c

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I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

POLLY BOOTH

My friend, Miss Gorton, had worked and studied for yrs in her chosen field of psychology. At last came the proud day when she rec'd her Ph D.

She could hardly wait to tell her neighbor, Mrs Smithers, that she now had her doctor's degree in psychology.

"Isn't that wonderful!" flattered Mrs Smithers. "Does that mean that now you can tell fortunes, too?"

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We know a prof so considerate that he takes attendance at the end of the class. He figures that the whole class will have arrived by that time.—*College Chronicle*. d

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Even the most isolated of back-country settlements in the West are accustomed by now to seeing uranium prospectors on the march. But a few yrs ago it was very mystifying, especially to one Kentucky old-timer, when his region was invaded by people with Geiger counters and eager eyes.

"I don't know what this is all about," he confided to a visitor. "Fust thing I knew was when some feller came on the place with a Goober counter and said he was huntin' for geraniums."—*Louisville Courier-Jnl Mag*. e



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A Dutch woman, an expert knitter, always looked for unusual sweater patterns to try. One evening at dinner in a Chinese restaurant, she became intrigued with the Chinese characters on the menu. She took the menu home and set about her knitting. The result was a black sweater with white Chinese characters running from shoulder to waist. With her blond hair, she looked quite attractive in it and was delighted with the results.

Then one day she met a friend who read Chinese. He roared with laughter, then translated what she had so skillfully worked in wool: "This dish is cheap but most delicious."—Parts Pups, hm, Genuine Parts Co. f

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Some cowboys were having a baseball game in a little town in a remote section of Texas. A huge fellow with a chest and muscles that Babe Ruth might have envied was at bat. He clouted the 1st ball pitched to him. It went so fast and so far that none of the outfielders thought of trying to stop it. But to the amazement of everyone present the batter, instead of circling the bases, waited patiently for the pitcher to deliver another ball.

"Hey," the captain shouted, "why don't you run?"

"What for?" asked the surprised batter. "I got 2 more strikes, ain't I?"—DON REVELLO. g

Charity will probably remain one of the fine, selfless, human virtues as long as it's tax-deductible.—FRANKLIN P JONES.

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An old-timer is one who remembers when we just laughed at the fellow who thought he was going to set the world on fire.—KATE M OWNBY.

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One current problem is that the ounce of prevention now costs as much as the pound of cure used to.—FRANCES RODMAN.

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Alimony is the method that some women use for taking the drudgery out of housework.—DAN BENNETT.

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Now that Autumn is here, a mother in our neighborhood hopes her TV-happy children will stop referring to her as Teacher's Summer Replacement.—BILL VAUGHAN, VFW Mag.

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Comes now the season of the college yr when a straight A student is rated below a split-T quarterback. — Seng Fellowship News, hm, Seng Co.

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The human race seems to have improved everything except people.—Easton Express.

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The club bore was boasting of his ability to distinguish between different beverages. Finally one of the listeners took a flask from his pocket and asked the connoisseur to taste it and tell him what it was. The man took a mouthful and promptly yelled, "Great Scott, that's gasoline!"

"I know," came the curt reply, "but what brand?"—*McCall Spirit*, hm. *McCall Corp'n.*

A veteran Army Air Force major and a shiny, new lieutenant were flying cross-country. They had planned to cross Lake Michigan, but had been warned that a thunderstorm threatened their line of flight.

The confident lieutenant at the controls dashed off a note on his knee-pad stating they could easily beat the storm across the lake. The weather-wise major shook his head, signaling the lieutenant to alter course and go *around* the lake. The stubborn young pilot wasn't one to give up easily, so he wrote: "Have 20 hrs over-water flying time. Will go across."

The major calmly scribbled an answer, "Have 2 days in-the-water time. Will go around."—T D HOSKINS. *True.*

An Arthur Godfrey favorite is the one about a tall, distinguished gentleman peering into the train's club car.

"Ah say," he asked, "is theah anyone in hyah from Gawgia?" A natty little man stood up and identified himself as an Atlantan.

"Splendid, splendid," beamed the 1st Georgian. "Ah wondah if Ah might please borry yo' cawkscrew."
—E E KENYON, *American Wkly.*

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For one so young his knowledge of the complexities of modern life was extensive in the extreme. All things that came to his hand he read eagerly—books, novels, and newspapers, and he was a regular patron of the neighborhood movies and the home tv.

"Father," he remarked one evening, "is it true that Uncle Bill is going to be married Friday?"

"Yes," his father ans'd, in mock seriousness, "Uncle Bill has only 3 more days."

The well-informed youngster sighed, sympathetically. "The last 3 days, father," he said, "they give them everything to eat they ask for, don't they?" — Nuggets, hm, Barnes-Ross Co. k

When singing "God Bless America" a little 4-yr-old girl sang it this way—"Stand beside her, and guide her, with the light thru the night from a bulb."—*Origin Unknown*.

According to Rep Omar Burleson, Texas Democrat, some of the titles around the White House had their counterparts in the days of the Pharaohs of ancient Egypt, as recorded in the relics of opened tombs.

Noting that Mr Eisenhower has an "ass't to the President," a "deputy ass't to the President," an "ass't to the ass't to the President," and 2 "ass'ts to the deputy ass't to the President," Mr Burleson refers us to the Pharaohs. One such monarch, he says, was surrounded by the following officials: "Adviser to the king," "close adviser to the king," "only close adviser to the king," "only real close adviser to the king." — *Chicago Tribune Press Service.*

"I see," said an interested friend, "that your daughter is to marry soon. Do you think she is prepared for the battle of life?"

"Well," ans'd the father judicially, "she ought to be. She has been in four engagements already."—*Gaylord's Triangle*, nm, Gaylord Bros, Inc. n



Insect Aside

A professor at Cambridge University in England is on the track of permanent youth. He has managed to keep an insect permanently young with injections of juvenile hormone.—News item.

I fear this learned Cambridge prof.

I frankly think he's slightly off. With hypo poised, he creeps up by An unsuspecting ant or fly And, briefly turning on the charm, He jabs its little leg or arm.

I fear this Cambridge prof, I say, Who goes around in such a way, Injecting hormones into all The things that sting and bite and crawl,

And thinks that he's extremely clever

To make these creatures young forever.

I find it hard enough, as is, Without this stealthy work of his. It's just the aging, slowing ants And flies with which I've got a chance.

Pepped up with youthful zest for fun,

They'll really have me on the run.

An American visitor was rather perturbed because his stories of the wonders of his country made little impression on his English friends. He could not seem to bring home to them the gigantic size of his state or, for that matter, the superior speed of American transport. "You know," he said at last, "you can get into a train in the State of Texas at dawn and twenty-four hrs later you'll still be in Texas."

"Ah, yes," politely murmured one of his friends. "We've got some pretty slow trains in this country, too."—*United Mine Workers Jnl.* o

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On a crowded street where cars were inching along, a motorist slowed down suddenly, only to have his rear bumper bashed smartly by the car behind. The driver got out, looked over the damage, glared at the woman driving the car behind and took off again.

A few min's later, he was again smacked in the rear. Again he got out, while the contrite woman begged his forgiveness. Shaking his head, the exasperated man returned to his car.

A few more min's and—bingo—another bump. This time the woman jumped out of her car and ran over to him, holding out a driver's license and all her other credentials.

"Look, madam," cried the victim helplessly, "never mind all that stuff. All I want from you is a 5-min start!"—*Wit Parade.* p

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Quote-ettes

HARRY S TRUMAN, former U S Pres: "I never had enough money to play golf." 1-Q-t

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SHARON KAY RITCHIE, Miss America of '56: "If you think success, then success will come to you. If you look for the best, you'll receive the best." 2-Q-t

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HERMIONE GINGOLD: "I've got all of the schooling any actress needs; I learned to write well enough to sign contracts." 3-Q-t

SECOND CLASS MATTER

News of the NEW

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Somewhat belatedly, we've become an enthusiastic if inept do-it-yourselfer. Here's a tool that should help remove the ineptitude from some kinds of work: a geared-pivot plier wrench. It can be angled and set to hold and turn work of every possible shape; and the proverbial child can control the handles. "Plierench" is only 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ in's long, weighs 8 oz's, and can grip work up to 2 in's in diameter, providing jaw pressures up to 500 lbs. Quickly makes springs out of music wire, serves as hand and pin vise. \$3.50. *American Plierench*, 4611 N Ravenswood, Chicago 40, Ill.

A new pre-cut kit enables you to assemble a sturdy, metal-framed work bench, 5 ft by 2 ft by 3 ft, in half an hr. Steel angle bars are connected by bolts. Plywood panels (not included in kit) are bolted to frame to make bench top and shelf. \$18.95. *Structo System, Inc.*, Elyria, Ohio.

Our final item may not sound so impressive, but should be very convenient—it's a cowhide holster to hold your steel reel-type rule. Holster slips on belt, holds rule ready for use, but out of your way. In 2 sizes, for 8 ft, $\frac{1}{2}$ -in wide or 10 ft, $\frac{3}{4}$ -in wide tapes. 50¢. *Bauer-Lee*, 140 E Montecito, Sierra Madre, Calif.

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